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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

1st Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7 2nd Reading: Philippians 4:6-9 Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Theme: "He will let out the vineyard to other tenants"

Mass Book: Page 137

KNOW YOUR FAITH CORNER

How the October Rosary Devotion Started (The Month Of Mary)

Every year during the month of October, Catholics all over the world are encouraged to pray the rosary every day in the month of October, which today is popularly known as the month of Mary. Have you ever wondered how it all started?

The origin of this devotion reaches back to the year 1571, when the Christian world faced great danger. Pope St. Pius V called on all the faithful to pray the Rosary for peace and protection. Through Mary's intercession, victory was granted at the Battle of Lepanto. This defeat ended the threat of Muslim domination of the Mediterranean, and October 7th was established as the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Later, Pope Leo XIII encouraged the whole Church to dedicate the entire month of October to the Rosary, a powerful weapon of faith, a crown of love, and a school of contemplation. So, each time we take up our beads, we walk hand in hand with Mary as she leads us to Jesus. The Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and Luminous Mysteries are not just memories of past events, they are living moments of grace that touch our lives today. I want to encourage you to try to say your rosary in this month of Mary both as an individual and as a family, or you can join the parish rosary after the morning Mass every day. In the coming weeks we will explore the 15 promises of our Lady to those who pray the Rosary – **Fr Jude.**

HEADTEACHER ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Our Lady of Grace Catholic Academy Trust is seeking an inspirational Catholic leader for St Michael's Catholic Primary School, London E6 6EE. Full time, permanent. Salary L15–21 (Inner London). Start January or April 2027 Closing date: Monday 12th October, midday Application pack & school visits: info@olog.org.uk

FHC 2027: Parents will meet on **Wednesday, October 7th at 7.30pm** in the Church and the Children will meet on **Saturday, 10th October at 9.15am -11.00am** in the Church. Wednesday 7th is also the last day of application to join this year's FHC programme.

PAN AFRICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP: warmly invites all interested parishioners to its monthly meeting today, **Sunday 4 October 2026**, after the **11:00am Mass**, inside the church. All are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

THE PARISH COUNCIL: invites Parishioners to express their interest in joining a new Social Committee. Chaired by a Parish Council member, the Committee will develop ideas for future social events across the Parish. Ideally membership will reflect the diversity and broad age range of the Parish. If you are aged 18 or over and would like to join this new Committee, please add your name and contact details to a slip of paper, place it in the box at the back of the Church, and we will contact you.

MASS INTENTIONS: Please fill in a Mass Offering envelope and return it to the Parish Office or give it to the Priest. There are some envelopes at the back of the Church, in the porch. If your preferred date or time is already taken. Your Mass will be said on the first available day/date. You can also suggest an alternative date on the envelope.

INFANT BAPTISM: Those who wished to have their child or children baptised should please pick up the baptism form, complete it and then return it to the parish office with a copy of the baptism certificate of one of the parents. The parish office will then contact you for other things.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME BEGINS: Our Confirmation programme will be starting soon. Confirmation is the sacrament that completes Baptism, granting us the fullness of the Holy Spirit to strengthen us for the journey and challenges of life in faith. If you are 14 years old by 31st August 2027 and would like to be confirmed, please write a letter to the Parish Priest, Fr Jude, explaining your wish to be confirmed by **Saturday 31st October 2026**. If you want to find out more please speak to Johnny or Leo for more information.

RCIA: Those who have registered or who wish to be part of the RCIA programme for 2027 will meet on Monday 12th October by 7:00pm in the parish upper room.

SECOND COLLECTION: there will be a second collection today for Harvest Fast Day. Also, next Weekend **10th/11th October**, there will be a second collection for 'Prisoner's Sunday'.

CONTACTLESS MACHINE: is available at the back of the church. You can use it for your offertory, pay for candles and repository and donate to the parish. For taxpayers, you may consider gift aiding your donation.

FR. BOB'S PARTY: You are all welcome to Fr Bob's celebration on Saturday 10th October We are asking Parishioners to bring food or drink to share. Please see the notices at the back of the Church for further details. Thank you

Baptism: Please contact the parish office to get the paperwork. The process takes at least 4 weeks.

Marriage: Couples are required to give 6 months notice of marriage before the wedding. Please contact the parish office to set up a meeting with the parish priest to start the necessary paperwork.

VOCATIONS The next “Enquirers’ Evening”, for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood, is on **Tuesday 6th October** at St Mary Mother of God, Hornchurch. The speaker will be Fr Francis Abara. For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@brcdt.org

THE CALL TO BE HUMAN A series of talks on Catholic Moral Theology given by Fr Martin Boland, at Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead. The first talk, 'What does it mean to be moral?' Will be on **Wednesday 7th October at 7pm**. All welcome. Free Admission.

FOUNDATION DAY TALK - Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre

The Community invite you to their Foundation Day Talk on **Friday 9th October at 2pm**. Venue: 74, HOWE CLOSE, COLCHESTER CO4 3XD. Speaker: Dr Cormac Begadon. The talk is entitled: ‘Between Faith and Fortune - The Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre, Atlantic World and the Paradox of Religious Benefaction in the 18th century’. For more information and to book your place: <https://canonesses.co.uk/event/foundation-day-2026/>

ADOREMUS 2026 On **Saturday 10th October at 3pm** there will be a Eucharistic Procession from St George’s Cathedral, Southwark to Westminster Cathedral. The Bishops of England and Wales would like to get an idea of how many people will be attending so if you would like to attend please let Fr Daniel know so he can submit numbers

PARISH FINANCES: You can make a payment into our bank account, either as a one off, by a regular Standing Order or by using the Contactless payments terminal available at the back of the church or by scanning the QR Code.

The details are as follows:

Account Name: Catholic Church East Ham St Michaels

Account Number: 31017586

Sort Code: 40-13-22



27th September 2026	Amount £
Offertory Envelops	949.94
Offertory Loose Plate	1088.01

Please pray for all who are sick,

including: Fr. Victor Camilleri, Aryia Tony, Andre Scafe, Colin Smyth, Bernadina Santy, Andy Brett, Davey Jose, Cora Bantog, Berthilia Riviere, Anne Flynn, Enzo Zechariah Riley, Gemma Yao, Callista Hudson, Anthony Kearney, Francis Seaman, John Maughan, Maria Ramos, Chidera Harvey, Gillian Pepper, Madonna Beupierre, Irene Oreiro, Gilbert Jacob, Jeanette Steele, Mary John, John Peppard, James Towns, Joe Fitzgerald, Ranjith Mendes, Loly Antonio, Louise Simmons, Lassyhani Janahan, Seamus Peppard, Mary Fitzgerald, Natalie Williams, Natalie McCarthy, Thomas John, Myrna Gonzales, Olympia Pahati, Stephen Lavinier, Tom Morgan, Nia La Foucade, Onat Sarmiento, Joy Pereira, Ullrick Scafe, Regina Peppard, Paula Joseph, Veronica Scafe, Bridget Tully, Piper Phelan, Philip Crangle, Bernard Fredrick, Lurdhamma Flinton, Mary Fernandez, Chidindu Amaechi, Rakshiya Ranjithkumar.

Prayer After Receiving Holy Communion

Jesus, I love you. All I have is yours. Yours I am, and yours I want to be. Do with me whatever you will.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all other evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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MASS INTENTIONS & DAILY CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Saturday Vigil Mass	3 rd Oct.	6.00pm	Peter Fernandez	Anniv.
Sunday 27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A	4 th Oct.	7:30am	Maureen Mendez	RIP.
		9:00am	Teresa Benedict	Anniv.
		11:00am	Parish Family	
Monday	5 th Oct.	9:00am	Sr. Bernadine Hannon	RIP.
Tuesday	6 th Oct.	9:00am	Nora Duffy	RIP
Wednesday Our Lady of the Rosary	7 th Oct.	9:00am	John Yohannan	RIP
Thursday St. Osyth	8 th Oct.	9:00am	John Daniel & Patrick Crangle	Anniv.
Friday St. John Henry Newman	9 th Oct.	9:00am	Walter Haas	F.M.
Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Mass	10 th Oct.	10:30am	Thanksgiving Mass for Canon Bob Lucita Nebrija	Anniv.
		11:00 - 11:45am	<i>No Confessions</i>	
		11:45am	No Midday Prayer and No Benediction	
		6.:00pm	Silvery Joseph Julio De Sa Filipe	Anniv. Anniv.
Sunday 28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11 th Oct.	7:30am	Parish Family	
		9:00am	Oscar Joaquim Alphonso	Anniv.
		11:00am	Abraham Masila	Anniv.

Newsletter items received after 12 noon Thursday may not be included that week.